

REMARKS

Claims 1-36 are pending in the application. Claims 11-18 and 29-36 are allowed. Claims 1, 5-9, 19, and 23-27 are rejected. Claims 2-4, 10, 20-22, and 28 are objected to. Claims 1, 3, 4, 19, 21, and 22 are amended. Claims 2, 10, 20, and 28 are canceled. Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the claims and consideration of the following remarks.

Allowable Subject Matter

The recent Office Action indicated that claims 2-4, 10, 20-22, and 28 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate claim 2. Similarly, claim 19 has been amended to incorporate claim 20. Claims 2 and 20 have therefore been canceled. Claims 10 and 28 have been canceled without prejudice, but have not been incorporated into any other claims. Claims 3 and 4 have been amended to depend from claim 1. Claims 21, and 22 have been amended to depend from claim 19. Claims 11-18 and 29-36 have been allowed and are not presently amended.

CONCLUSION

The claims in their present form are allowable over the art of record. Applicant therefore solicits their allowance.



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